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  - a. This Response to Restriction Requirement Transmittal (2 pages) (in duplicate);
  - b. Preliminary Amendment and Response to Restriction (5 pages); and
  - c. Change of Attorney Docket Number (1 page)

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Dear Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment and Response to Restriction Requirement are being filed in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed from the United States Patent and Trademark Office on November 5, 2002. Prior to examination on the merits, entry of the following amendments and remarks is respectfully requested:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 9-13, 15-19, 21-24 and 26 which were withdrawn form further consideration pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.142(b) as being drawn to a non-elected invention in the Office Action mailed on

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